# THE PARAMETER PLANS





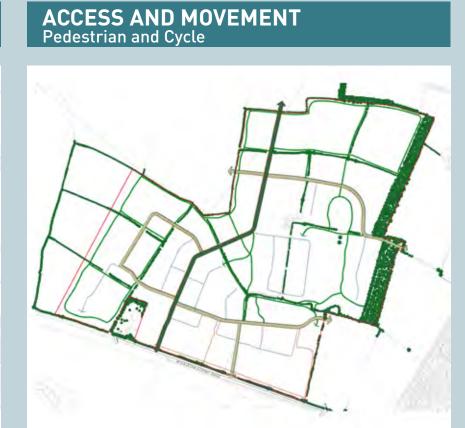
### THE STRUCTURING PLANS

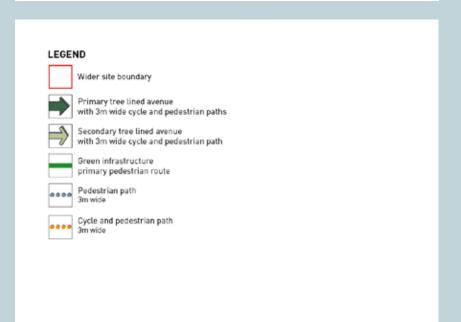
# PLACEMAKING # Landmark building (addressing key corners and gateways)

Focal building (to terminate street vista)

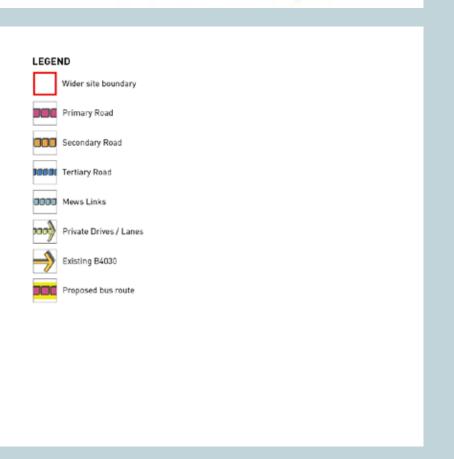
Key view and vista

\* Public Art





# ACCESS AND MOVEMENT Vehicular



### GREEN AND BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE



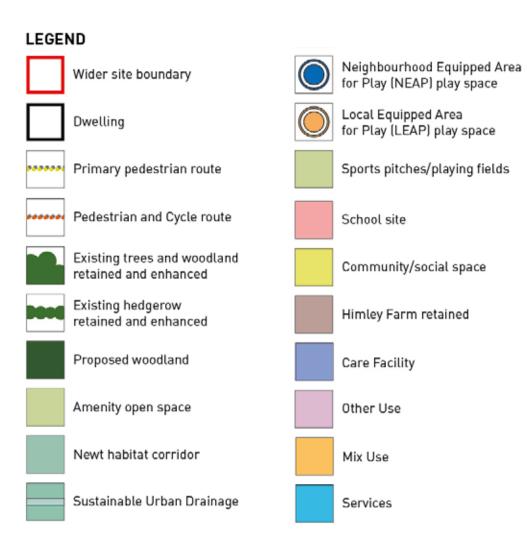




Local square and public realm

Key frontage [Middleton Stoney Road] Key frontage [Formal]

### THE OVERARCHING ILLUSTRATIVE MASTERPLAN



### **DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

- 1. Proposed access points via Middleton Stoney Road;
- 2. Access points to the wider Himley Village Masterplan;
- 3. Existing trees and woodland retained and enhanced;
- 4. Existing hedgerow / field boundary's retained and enhanced;
- 5. Public open space;
- 6. Newt habitat area / corridor;
- 7. Existing ponds;
- 8. SuDS corridors;
- 9. Cycle and pedestrian paths;
- 10. Green infrastructure pedestrian and cycle routes;
- 11. Primary road / tree lined corridor (formal);
- 12. Secondary road / tree lined corridor (formal);
- 13. Tertiary roads (intermediate);
- 14. Mews links (Informal);
- 15. Private drives (informal);
- 16. Residential development parcels;
- 17. Other use;
- 18. Services;
- 19. Care facility;
- 20. Community / social space;
- 21. Allotment provision;
- 22. Himley Farm retained;
- 23. School site;
- 24. Playing fields;
- 25. Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play (NEAP);
- 26. Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP);
- 27. Public Art;
- 28. Car free area (design cues from Bicester town centre)
- 29. Mix use; and
- 30. Sports Pavilion (location to be confirmed).





### THE PROPOSED BIODIVERSITY STRATEGY







# LAND USE

### **USE & AMOUNT**

6.13 The Land Use Parameter plan shown opposite shows the location of land uses within the proposed development. It provides a framework for future, more detailed designs, and will define the type of development that can be bought forward at the Reserved Matters stage.

### Residential Development and Public Open Space

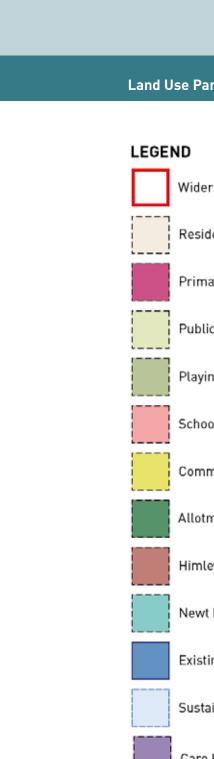
- 6.14 The proposed Illustrative Masterplan comprises 1700 dwellings. The proposed density allows for the provision of a range of dwellings of varying sizes and tenures which will offer choice and promote a sustainable, balanced residential development.
- 6.15 The Illustrative Masterplan seeks to deliver a range of housing types to cater for a variety of household sizes, with an emphasis on 'starter' and family accommodation.

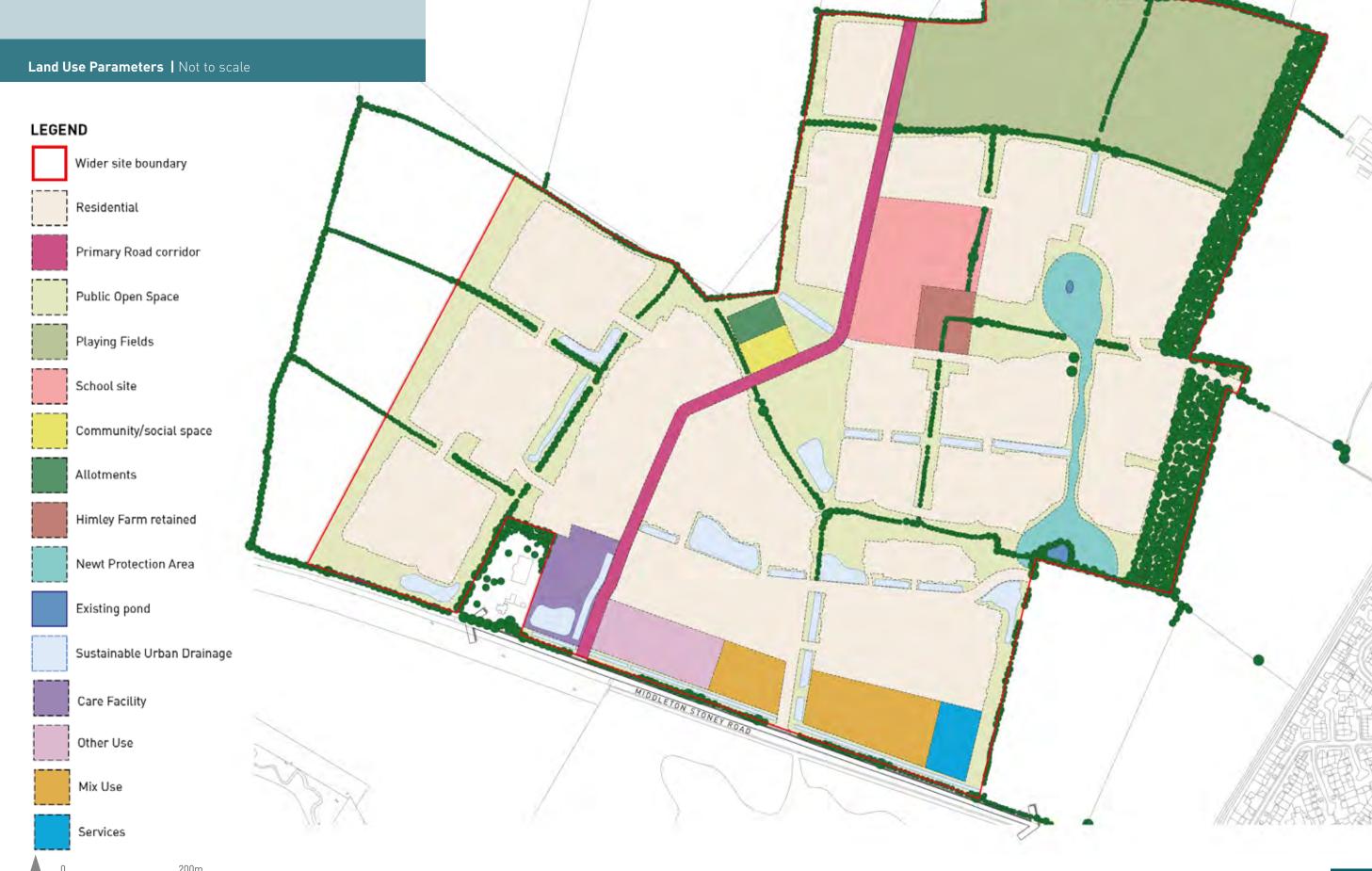
### Affordable Housing

- 6.16 The adopted Cherwell Local Plan requires all qualifying developments to provide 70% of the affordable housing as affordable/social rented dwellings and 30% as other forms of intermediate housing. Social rented housing will be particularly supported in the form of extra care or other supported housing.
- 6.17 The proposed illustrative masterplan provides an opportunity to include a choice of housing types and tenures that can be integrated in various locations within the proposed development to avoid a defined cluster.
- 6.18 The exact housing mix and affordable housing tenure split will be discussed with Cherwell District Council at a Reserved Matters stage in accordance with the relevant policy.

### Other Uses

- 6.19 The proposed illustrative masterplan will also deliver the
- A Primary School and associated playing fields;
- Community/social space;
- Allotments;
- The retained Himley Farm;
- A care facility;
- An employment park;
- Newt protection area;
- Public open space; and
- Sustainable urban drainage features.





# **BUILT CHARACTER**



### **OVERVIEW**

- 6.20 In order to ensure the design proposals assimilate and respond positively to the site's surrounding context, character areas have been provided across the Himley Village Masterplan.
- 6.21 The character areas form new neighbourhoods across the development. The approved Design and Access Statements suggests five potential "neighbourhoods" with their own distinct character. Each of the character areas are detailed as follows:
- CA1: Himley Green
- CA2: Himley Fields
- CA3: Himley Wood
- CA4: Himley Edge
- CA5: Himley Park (Residential)
- CA6: Himley Employment Park
- 6.22 The following pages describe the key themes of each identified character area across the Masterplan, illustrating their unique design characteristics and how they help create a varied and diverse townscape.
- 6.23 The plan to the right indicates the location and extent of each character area across the Masterplan. These boundaries are not to be interpreted as rigid and transitions between areas are to be designed in a manner which is seamless and coherent.

















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# HIMLEY GREEN A village green, a focal point for the community, with space to meet, relax, play.

### **KEY CHARACTERISTICS**

6.24 Himley Green is located at the centre of the masterplan and incorporates Himley farm to the east. The key features within Himley Green include:

- Historic structures of Himley Farm at the centre of the Site;
- The new primary school;
- The primary vehicle route which dissects this part of the Site running north south;
- Key pedestrian and cycle routes. These converge here and radiate towards the rural edge to the west and the boulevard and Bicester to the east;
- A new centre of horticultural activity, of food production, plant propagation and landscape management;
- The horticulture centre as an education resource for the local community promoting healthy living and greater connections with our natural environment; and
- A village green, a focal point for the community, with space to play, grow, meet and relax.



Key inspiration from local context









# CA1 HIMLEY GREEN

### CODING

CA1	Code Category	Definition
1	Urban form	Outward facing development providing sense of enclosure to focal green space.  Opportunity for contemporary architecture to provide signature frontage and key building groups.  Uniformity of dwellings to create distinctive character.
2	Building typology	Detached and Semi-Detached.
3	Building lines	Predominantly formal building line to define public open space.
4	Height/enclosure	Predominelty 2 storey, with some 2.5-3 storey development fronting the primary road.
5	Roofscape	Pitched roofs with dominant gables to animate public realm. Gables, dormer windows and/or bay windows will be promoted on corner turning dwellings. Roofscape punctuated by chimneys.
6	Building detail	Contemporary architecture encouraged.  Dwellings designed to ensure no blank walls front onto public realm.
7	Building materials	Walls - Predominantly brick and render. Timber cladding acceptable.  Roof - Plain grey tiles.  Doors - front, side and other visible doors to be black.  Windows - Grey or feature colour aluminium for contemporary architecture/ Feature colour uPVC for traditional architecture
9	Parking	No frontage parking or driveway access to tree lined avenue. Parking predominantly on plot, to side.
10	Street types	Primary Road; Tertiary Road; Private Drive.
11	Boundary treatments	Native hedgerow / Brick screen walling and railings.

# Indicative Materials Palette Rof | Wall Ground

### Design inspiration











# HIMLEY FIELDS Large areas of open space, proximity to schools, main routes and the new boulevard through the site all support the potential for greater density here.

### **KEY CHARACTERISTICS**

6.25 Himley Fields provides the residential development to the north of the masterplan. Development primarily fronts tree lined primary and secondary roads and playing fields. The building line is generally formal, providing enclosure to the tree lined routes.

6.26 The key themes of Himley Fields include:

- Open green space for sports fields and play spaces;
- Large areas of open space, proximity to schools, main routes and the new boulevard through the site all support the potential for greater density here; and
- Open space to the north ensures that overshadowing from any taller buildings is minimised.



























Illustrative elevation along Himley Fields frontage



# CA2 HIMLEY FIELDS

### CODING

CA2	Code Category	Definition
1	Urban form	Greater density provided along northern edge of development. Outward facing development to provide natural surveillance. Corner turner units to form gateways / green corridors to playing fields.
2	Building typology	Apartments, Detached, Semi detached and Terraced dwellings.
3	Building lines	Generally formal to provide enclosure to playing fields and tree lined routes.
4	Height/enclosure	Generally up to 2 storeys. Greater ridge heights along the tree lined primary road and playing fields.
5	Roofscape	Varied eaves and ridge heights. Chimneys regularly articulating roofscape.
6	Building detail	Generally traditional architecture, with Georgian detailing to the primary and secondary roads.  Dwellings designed to ensure no blank walls front onto public realm.
7	Building materials	Walls – predominantly brick and render with coloured render encouraged.  Roof - Plain grey tiles  Doors – front, side and other visible doors to be consistent and in urban colour palette.  Windows - Grey or feature colour aluminium for contemporary architecture/ Feature colour uPVC for traditional architecture
9	Parking	Range of on plot parking, frontage parking and rear courtyards.
10	Street types	Primary Road; Secondary Road; Tertiary Road; Private Drive.
11	Boundary treatments	Native hedgerows, brickwork walling and railings.

# Indicative Materials Palette Roof Wall Ground Ground

### Design inspiration



HIMLEY WOOD

A more ecological and habitat rich landscape focussed on enhancing the newt habitat corridor and woodland.

### **KEY CHARACTERISTICS**

6.27 Himley Wood is located to the east of the masterplan and forms the interface to the public open space, including the newt protection area, and existing woodland. The key features of Himley Wood include:

- The east of the Site is bounded by young broad leaved woodland;
- Other significant landscape features here also include the two ponds and their associated planting and ecology. The eastern woodland edge is where the Application Site connects both to the new boulevard and associated local facilities and to Bicester beyond.
- A more informal natural landscape character focused on the newt habitat and the woodland areas; and
- Proximity to the boulevard and local facilities including secondary and primary schools, shops and community facilities, supporting an increased density here.





### Key inspiration from local context



Illustrative frontage to Himley Wood





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# CA3 HIMLEY WOOD

### CODING

CA3	Code Category	Definition
1	Urban form	Generally larger dwellings / lower densities. Higher densities fronting secondary and tertiary roads.
2	Building typology	Detached, Semi detached and Terraced dwellings.
3	Building lines	Predominetly formal with more informal building line to edge of development.
4	Height/enclosure	Generally 2 storeys with some 2.5 heights to emphasise parts of the street/building line.
5	Roofscape	Varied eaves and ridge heights. Chimneys regularly articulating roofscape.
6	Building detail	Contemporary architecture encouraged.  Dwellings designed to ensure no blank walls front onto public realm.
7	Building materials	Walls – Predominantly brick and render. Timber cladding acceptable.  Roof - red/grey/brown plain tiles.  Doors - front, side and other visible doors to be consistent and in a neutral colour palette.  Windows - uPVC white or grey.
9	Parking	Generally on plot, with no frontage parking.
10	Street types	Residential Street.
11	Boundary treatments	Low level landscape and hedging.

# Indicative Materials Palette

### Design inspiration







HIMLEY EDGE
On this woodland rural edge of the village there are opportunities to create bridleways, footpaths and cycle ways allowing glimpses through tree canopies over the adjacent paddocks.

### **KEY CHARACTERISTICS**

- 6.28 Himley Edge is located to the west of the masterplan and is the interface to green corridors and new proposed woodland that incorporate pedestrian routes and play areas. The key themes of Himley Edge are:
- The west edge of the Application Site is unique in that it is not defined by a physical landscape feature or road;
- Beyond this edge to the west, the landscape is characterised by open undulating agricultural land to the M40 and beyond;
- A more compact field pattern, allows for the opportunity for the hedgerows to play a greater part in determining the character of this area;

- A perceptible density gradient reflecting this transition;
- This part of the Site is comprised of three parallel fields running approximately east-west. These fields are smaller in scale than typically found on the Site, approximately 150m wide at their narrowest point;
- Respecting views to the Site from the surrounding open landscape as well as from Middleton Stoney Road, leads us towards a softer edge to the settlement; one of landscape and woodland intersped with small pockets of dwellings - forming a gradual transition from an open agricultural landscape, to one of woodland, to one of dwellings; and



undulating landscape which characterises the local area.



Key inspiration from local context



Illustrative elevation along Himley Edge frontage

